

Henry Cabot Lodge Stunned By News Of Dallas Slaying

SAN FRANCISCO, (AP)—Henry Cabot Lodge, U. S. ambassador to South Viet Nam, who was on his way to confer with President Kennedy, grappled for words in stunned shock Friday at news of the President's assassination.

"I was very fond of him and knew him intimately," Lodge said.

"We served in Congress together and knew each other before that in Massachusetts.

"Lately we have been particularly close because he followed—no, not followed, but guided, America's foreign policy. He took a keen personal interest in it and gave it a great deal of personal time."

Lodge, who paused in San Francisco on his way from a high-level policy conference on South Viet Nam in Honolulu, said he would leave Saturday morning for Washington and report to Averill Harriman, assistant secretary of state.